Forest Land-Wardha

Diversion of 0.17657 ha. Forest land in favour of M/s. Telesonic Network Limited, Nagpur for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable Line passing within RoW of existing NH-6 (Wadi-Karanja-Tivsa) road.
(Chainage- km 50/00 to km 100/00)

Government of Maharashtra

Revenue and Forest Department

Government Order No.: FLD-2022/CR-23/F-10

Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032

Date: 14.03.2022

Reference:

1. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, MS, Nagpur Letter No. Desk-17/ Nodal/ Nagpur/ID-129676/1710/2021-22, dt.06.12.2021

Preamble:-

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, MS, Nagpur has submitted proposal for diversion of 0.17657 ha. Forest land in favour of M/s. Telesonic Network Limited, Nagpur for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable Line passing within RoW of existing NH-6 (Wadi-Karanja-Tivsa) road (Chainage- km 50/00 to km 100/00).

Order:-

In exercise of powers under general approval given by MoEF&CC, Govt. of India vide Handbook of FCA Guidelines-2019, Chapter 4 (para-4.2), Government of Maharashtra is pleased to grant **'In-Principle'** approval to the diversion of 0.17657 ha. Forest land under section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable Line passing within Right of Way (RoW) of existing NH-6 (Wadi-Karanja-Tivsa) road (Chainage- km 50/00 to km 100/00).

The details of Forest Land proposed for diversion are as under:-

Sr. No.	Item	Village	Compt No.	Kh. No.	Length x width (in meter)	Area (in ha)	Legal Status
1	Laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along NH-6 (Wadi-Karanja-Tivsa) Km 50/00 to Km 100/400	Karanja (Ghadge)	-	117	26.13 x0.5	0.00131	Zudpi Jungle
			-	222	63.17 x0.5	0.00316	Zudpi Jungle
2		Sarwadi	76-PF	325	133.41 x 0.5	0.00667	Protected Forest
3		Indermari	72-PF	85	77.94 x0.5	0.00390	Protected Forest

4		-	129-RF	-	839.41x0.5	0.04197	Reserved Forest
5		Talegaon	55-PF	180, 399 & 277	1730 x0.5	0.08650	Protected Forest
6		Talegaon	-	343	128.22x0.5	0.006411	Zudpi Jungle
7		Kakaddara	-	4	88.47 x0.5	0.00442	
8		Ramdara	-	69	143.86x0.5	0.00719	
			-	71	300.76x0.5	0.01504	
	Total Forest Area (in ha)					**0.17657**	

2. <u>This 'in-principle' approval is issued subject to the following conditions-</u>

1) The legal status of the land shall remain unchanged.
2) The Optical Fiber Cable Line will be laid within maximum size of the trench of 2.00 meters depth & **0.50** meter width with cable line under the PVC pipeline.
3) The cost of Net Present Value of Forest land shall be exempted.
4) The User Agency shall defray the cost of Compensatory Afforestation.
5) Compensatory Afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 1 ha. degraded forest land at Gut / Survey No. 156, Village Hasimpur, Tal. Arvi, District Wardha.
6) The land under project will be reclaimed by the User Agency for which the agency shall submit a bank guarantee at the rate of Rs.50/- per running meter and an undertaking to that effect shall also be submitted. If the agency fails to reclaim the land to the satisfaction of concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests, the cost for reclamation will be covered from the bank guarantee.
7) If the cable is going to be laid in the formation width of the road, then additional charges in form of bank guarantee shall be given at the rate of Rs.35/- per running meter. Similarly for reclamation of side drain and for tarred portion, the guarantee will be at the rate of Rs.300/- per meter and Rs.750/- per meter respectively. An undertaking shall be obtained from the User Agency that it has agreed to make good any loss to Forest/ Environment while laying the cable in the forest area and during maintenance of the same in future.
8) For further maintenance of the project, the agency shall obtain permission from the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests as and when required.
9) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than specified in the proposal.
10) No felling of trees shall be done during the implementation of project.
11) No new forest area beyond the Right of Way of existing road should be broken for laying Optical Fiber Cable.
12) The User Agency shall pay the cost of Net Present Value, if required in future.
13) Underground Optical Fiber Cable can be laid only outside the confines of the Protected Areas.

14) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
15) After completion of the project, User Agency will reclaim the area under RoW suitably.
16) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of the State Government.
17) This sanction is subject to the final clearance by the Department of Information & Technology for the project and concerned PWD authorities for the project.
18) The User Agency shall compensate the private owners of forest land if any, in accordance with the prevalent laws, rules & guidelines.
19) The User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
20) All other conditions as may be mandatory under relevant Acts, Rules and Guidelines shall be complied by the User Agency.
21) All the conditions stipulated by the Forest Department shall be binding on User Agency.
22) The User Agency shall make good of any loss to Forest / Environment.
23) In case, the proposed area falls in the RoW of the road passing through National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries, prior permission of the State Board for Wildlife should be obtained.
24) The Final approval shall be granted by the State Government after fulfillment of the above conditions by the User Agency. The actual diversion of forest land shall be effected thereafter by the Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur.
25) Any breach of the conditions by the User Agency will be treated as violation of the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

3. This Government Order is available at the Government of Maharashtra's website www.maharashtra.gov.in with reference No. 202203141812231619. This Order has been signed digitally.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

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